

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the South Atlantic Division of the American Cancer Society is a community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer through research, education advocacy, and service; and

WHEREAS, more than 21,800 South Carolinians will be diagnosed with cancer in 2005, and more than 9,000 residents of the Palmetto State will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, racial and ethnic disparities exist across the entire cancer spectrum, from primary prevention to palliative care; and

WHEREAS, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life celebrates and honors South Carolinians and their families that have been affected by cancer while providing vital funding for cancer research and control programs in our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2005 as

RELAY FOR LIFE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the American Cancer Society and its Relay for Life participants for their many contributions to improving the quality of life for all our residents.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA